## Robert Reynolds' Retirement Wednesday, September 27, 2000

## **Talking Points**

- Robert Reynolds is one of the most well known people in Jackson.
- Everyone in the downtown area is used to seeing Robert driving around in his Cushman delivering mail.
- When his Cushman broke down he has made mail deliveries on his three-wheel bicycle, and he has even been known to hitch rides with former Governors, First Ladies and at least one or two of Jackson's Mayors.
- Robert came to work for the Federal States Programs on April 14, 1980 under Governor William Winter's Administration.
- Prior to working for the State, he worked for Smith Shoe Company for sixteen years picking up and delivering shoes.
- Robert Reynolds is an example of an individual who turned his disability into an ability.

- He was the first person featured on "Someone You Should Know" with Howard Ballou, and he received the 1993 WINNER Award from Governor Fordice.
- He is a man who loves his job and loves working for the State of Mississippi.
- Robert has enjoyed the support and friendships with some well known Mississippians including Mary Ann Mobley, Dr. Frank Pollard, Jimmy Fowler, Stuart Irby and the late Frank Day.
- These people have helped Robert succeed in his job, as have many of you who are here today to wish him well.
- On behalf of the people of the State of Mississippi I would like to present you with this plaque... (read plaque and present to Robert)